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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated October 18, 2006, applicants present the following amendment and remarks.

In addition, applicants have petitioned for a two (2) month extension of time and paid concurrently herewith the appropriate fee for extending the period of response up to and including March 19, 2007.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.